EX-STUDENT FINED $30 IN PARKING LOT ACCIDENT

"What a smash-up," exclaimed physical education students as they jogged by four parked cars involved in an accident in the rear parking lot of the Senior High at 11:40 a.m.,December 12, 1973.

According to authorities, David Levenberg, 20, who attended the Senior High for 33 days, recklessly drove a 1965 blue Mercury into four parked cars.

The cars involved in the accident were Mrs. Yeager's 1969 green Chevrolet station wagon,Mr. Bernett's 1972 white Toyota, and Mrs. Forrest's 1973 blue Oldsmobile.

The accident caused $2,000 damage to the three cars, and Levenberg's Mercury was partially demolished. Mr. Bradley's car was slightly scratched.

LEVENBERG'S CONDITION

Witnesses believe Levenberg was under the influence of alcohol or barbituates. One bystander added, "He couldn't even stand up."

Mr. Bernett explained, "He (Levenberg) appeared to be in an abnormal physical state."

When contacted, Levenberg refused to comment.

Peter Neilson, the arresting officer from the Newtown Square Police Force, refused to comment about the type of drug allegedly taken or about his condition at the time of arrest.

Neilson did say, however, that no contraband of any sort was found on Levenberg or in the car.

NO LICENSE

Levenberg, when arrested, did not show any operator's license or owner's card to the officer. Law requires that, following an accident, the driver furnish an operator's license to the police. The penalty for not producing a license is, according to the Newtown Square Police, up to the arresting officer's discretion.

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Students Confer With Principal

In order to directly discuss various school problems with the student body, twelve volunteer students met with Mr. Capriotti in the School Board Conference Room on December 13, 1973.

Treatment of the wrestling team was disputed by two of the team's representstives. Poor uniforms, torn mats, and bad facilities were smong their complaints. Use of the gymnasium by the basketball team and intramural activities during the wrestling team's practices was also discussed.

"I think we should provide some spsce for those students who cannot participate in interscholastic competition, for intramural activities," said Mr. Capriotti.

Wrestlers also argued that they do not benefit from any cheerleading whenever the basketball team has a game at the same time.

Mr. Capriotti added he will spesk with Mr. Bonder about reparing the mats snd determining an equitable practice schedule.

Winter utilization of smoking areas was also discussed. The administration was questioned as to whether vandalism should occur at smoking areas or in lavstories.

Mr. Capriotti noted that past vandalism in lavatories was worst then present damage in smoking areas. The rear lobby smoking area has nonetheless, been closed. If a student is found smoking in a lavatory, he will undergo ten days of suspension without make-up privileges.

Temperatures, filth, snd chlorination inside the swimming pool were also questioned. Mr. Capriotti's only comment was that the pool will be cleaned during spring vacation.

An imbalance in the hesting system was an additional complaint. Some rooms are 80 degrees while others are 60 degrees. Cold air is being pumped into hot rooms; the heat is not.

Said Mr. Capriotti in reply to the possibility of mid-yesr exsms, "there will be no mid-year examinations,

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Maher and Alberici Star in Man of La Mancha

Man of La Mancha, this year's all school musical, has been casted and is ready to begin rehearsals.

Written by Dale Wasserman, the action occurs in the mind of a Spaniard, Cervantes, who is arrested during the Inquistion. In jail, Cervantes writes a manuscript which tells the story of a fictious Don Quixote.

Director, Mr. Henry Fetterman, faces problems concerning staging. Since most of the musical is the imagination of Cervantes, all the scenea occur in the prison. Changes of scene will be suggested by lighting, props, and characters.

Though the performance is four months away,dancing rehearsals have already begun. Mr. Fetterman feels these rehearsals are necessary because many of the dances require fast intricate footwork and endurance.

This production will include an orchestra under the direction of Alice Levin, which will be located in the wings to either side of the stage, instead of the pit.

Cast members include Cervantes, Joe Maher;Sancho, Steve Mosenson; Governor, Chris Farror; Padre, John Bilyi; Duke, Paul Vincent; Barber, Murry Greenburg; Pedro, Jay Hershorin; Anselmo, Matt O'Brian;Jim Kirpatrick; Juan, Pete Anderson; Tenorio, Steve Smith; Paco, Henry Lowman; Blanco, Howard Jamison; Captain, Maurice Furlong; Guard, Harry Murphy; Aldonza, Darlene Alberici; Antonia, Annette Winter, Housekeeper, Wendy Gold; Maria, Robin Beck; Members of the Inquisition, Ruth Plotkin, Angelo Zangardi, and Linda Hughes.

THE TIGER'S EYE

Senator Edward Kennedy was expelled from Harvard for cheating. A lot of MN students seem determined to follow in the footsteps of this prestigious legislator. The tiger would like to prevent such a calamity, and presents this article as a guideline for teachers.

The most common form of cheating, teachers, seems to be the (crib) or (cheat) sheet. This paper, averaging 3"X2" is merely a condensation of notes given in class. For some students, the sheet is not a condensation. The method of use of the cheat sheet is a fascinating study. Many students are from the old school, and they devise methods so ingenious the nation's top scientists would be positively astounded.

The most ingenious cheat sheet is printed in food dye on, of all things Wrigley's chewing gum. Spearmint is the preferred flavor, although juicy fruit gets a lot of patronage. If danger approaches, the kids chew up the evidence. Some quick-witted students have scribbled the important notes on blackboards, barely minutes before the start of the test. The poor teacher strides in and distributes the test, blissfully unaware of the white menace on her blackboard. Often, industrious students can have half the test done... (all the tough ones anyway) before she notices.

When students wearing glasses squint, teachers think that the kid is deep in thought, but it's fairly obvious to the connosieur of cheating that the kid is trying to read the printing on the inside of his specs. The most common sheet, however, is simply a piece of paper, the back of an English composition for example. Its edges are generally ragged, and the writing is about ¼"high. This evidence is kept hidden in the downturned palm of the hand, which is casually lifted when a puzzling question presents itself. If the sheet is no longer needed, or a teacher is looking meanacingly in one's direction, the crib sheet goes the way of the chewing gum, via a casually lifted-palm-on-chin-and-paper-into-mouth move. This evidence generally ends up on the ceiling, or, on rarer cases, is hurled at the teacher.

Many times, a poor student enters the testing room, is given the test, and exclaims, "We have a test today?" In this situation, there is a panicked expression, often a momentary loss of breath and a slight greeness comes over the complexion. But the student gets over his momentary queasiness and begins to improvise. The first step is a quick check around the room. Where is the teacher now? If his back is turned, the student proceeds with Step 2: A sneaky, furtive glance at the paper of the smart kid sitting next to him. The teacher whirls, and the look is swiftly withdrawn. It remains only to figure out whether the answer is depression or repression.

If the teacher is keeping tabs on all the tests, there are still last resources. There's always the old drop-the-pencil-bend-down-to-get-it- and-peek-at-the-other-paper routine. The final attempt, and one which almost everyone has tried, is an attempt to contact one's neighbor.

Many kids have felt the gentle nudge, the pencil directed at a blank page. During a particularly difficult test, one teacher heard a sound like a wind soughing through the trees. One student, the only one who knew the answer, had started the whisper, and it positively swept through the room.

The last, very last stand, is the frantically scribbled note, is it a depression or a repression?

NEWSMAKERS

Congratulations:

Vo-Tech Student of the Month:
Alan Alessi

Newtown Rotary Award- Steve Sangiorgio and Paul Williams

Marple Women's Award- Ruth Krumbhaar

Broomall Rotary Award- Cynthia Patrick

MY MARK

Energy Crisis Hits Marple Ski Club

It is going to be a strange year for the Ski Club, because Chad's Peak, the skiers usual race "course", has been affected by the energy crisis. Making snow has become a problem.

MN's ski squad has, in the past, gone to Chad's Peak and other local areas to race other school districts. Mr. Heinrich and Mr. Sloat, sponsors of the club, feel that racing is a good way to improve skiing techniques.

Students from Marple Newtown can also race in the "United States Amateur Ski Association". This allows them to be classified on a national basis. "NASTAR RACES" is another ski event, held on weekends. The district does not provide transportation to these "Nastar Races", but it provides information about them.

The Ski Club also sponsors several trips to Vermont and Pennsylvania slopes, for those who prefer to ski without racing.

The Ski Club helps to inform students of ski events. MN also receives literature from organizations that arrange for students to go to Europe to ski.

Anyone interested in racing or ski trips should contact Mr. Heinrich or Mr. Sloat.

COMMITTEE INVESTIGATES CAFETERIA

"A cafeteria committee will be empowered to find solutions and ideas to eliminate the problems in the cafeteria," concluded Student Council President, Bob Dezmelyk. His statement followed a unanimous vote in favor of cafeteria revisions at the Executive Council meeting on December 6, 1973.

Instead of opposing the supervisor of MN School Cafeterias, Mr. Roland Grimsley, Council executives decided to unite with Mr. Grimsley to improve the quality of the food.

Suggestions included a relocation of food and drink items and new serving procedures. Most administrators, teachers, and council members favor an express line for milk and ice cream buyers.

In addition, Mr. Grimsley has investigated the possibility of selling milk shakes in school cafeterias.

Charity Drive results were also evaluated at the Executive Council meeting. Mrs. Egner, Council advisor, reported a net gain slightly over one thousand dollars. An allotment of $703 will be saved in a specific fund for necessities within the community.

Bob Dezmelyk reports that the rock concert and the film were satisfactory. He noted, however, that in the cafeteria, students, some of which were Student Council representatives, were protesting the Council activities.

He added, "I was especially dismayed by all the people who made the effort to get an early dismissal."

A fund-raising project was the final order of business at the Executive Council meeting. As a result, those in attendance have found it worthwhile to look into the possibility of obtaining a good movie for presentation in the school. An "R"-rated film is very possible, but discretion will be used with respect to sex and violence.

If this movie is obtained, however, only MN High School pupils will be admitted.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

A great deal of money might have been raised at this year's charity drive, but the events that took place that Friday afternoon were not the most agreeable.

Ninth period Friday afternoon I went to the gym to see the concert. On the way I noticed 2 to 4 teachers standing like sentries at every door to make sure no one escaped from the school. This alone does wonders to create a warm and friendly atmosphere in the school. I then proceeded to see a concert that was to start at 1:30p.m. By 2:00p.m. we were still waiting outside. Admittedly, this was probably the group's fault. However, a group of about thirty students grew tired of waiting and decided that they were going to get into the gym no matter what happened. They started to push and push and push. I do not know why someone did not get seriously hurt. I do know that some people in the front of the crowd got knocked down, stepped on and pushed right into the gym. Also, the air became close and people had trouble breathing.

After seeing this display of animalistic behavior, I left the area and went to the cafeteria. More sentries. Once I was inside I ate some cookies and got extremely thirsty. I went out the door to a water fountain directly across from the cafeteria. As I tried to get a drink a teacher came running up and grabbed me.

"I just want to get a drink", I said.

"Everyone is thirsty", the teacher replied. "Get back inside."

"What is wrong with my getting a drink?"

"Nothing", she said as she physically pushed me through the door into the cafeteria.

I sat there like a prisoner until 3:10 p.m.

In view of these events I think that we ought to examine ourselves and the atmosphere we are creating here in Marple Newtown.

Martha Dolphin

Dear Editor:

It has come to our attention that the administration in this school is bitterly prejudiced. In reviewing the article which was written in the December 7 issue of the Mar News pertaining to smoking, some biased opinions seem to have been voiced.

We are fully aware of our smoking privileges and do appreciate them. But are we expected to disregard the fact that it is 30° outside?

Furthermore, some people seem to think students smoke inside, not for health reasons, but to antagonize the administration. The students involved feel this is quite unfair.

How can the students and the administration deal with this problem and keep everyone happy?

A solution to this question must be found without delay!

Sincerely,
The girls in the girl's lavatory.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Two days of unexpected school vacation should bring pleasure to students and teachers.

Lsst week's emergency school closings, however, were anything but pleasurable.

Waiting in the sleet and snow for a bus that has no intention of leaving the garage is a miserable way to begin a day. Coming to a school that decides to open, then changes its mind, is a warmer, but no more favorable, beginning.

These are precisely the situations in which MN students and teachers, particularly those involved with early morning activities, found themselves on January 9 and 10. Radio stations announced 454,MN's closing number, after many had left for school.

Who is at fault? The district, for deciding after 6:00 A.M. to close school? The radio stations, for delaying the messege? The weather, for behaving so erratically?

It is nothing but a waste of precious time to pass the blame from one shoulder to another.

Instead, we must work to force the administration to act more decisively.

And we must search for a more expedient way to announce school closing.

Ellen Ginsburg

KENTON PLAYS FOR MN AUDIENCE

Resuming a successful concert program which featured Maynard Ferguson and Buddy Rich last year, the Marple Newtown High School Band is sponsoring an appearance by the Stan Kenton Orchestra.

Stan Kenton, a name familiar to dancers and concertgoers for more than 20 years, will appear Monday, January 21, in the MN auditorium.

Tickets may he obtained by calling 353-2623. Admission is $4.

CAPRIOTTI PONDERS TRESPASSING POLICY

All too often,a policy is enacted after an incident occurs. Such is the case with the trespassing policy of Marple Newtown concerning the Levenberg accident of December 12.

According to authorities, David Levenberg recklessly drove through the packing lot, smashing four parked cars.

Levenberg did not attend the Senior High at the time of the accident and, therefore, had no business being on school property.

Trespassing is the normal term for an incident such as this. But according to Mr. Capriotti, principal, Levenberg cannot be charged with trespassing.

There are no trespassing signs posted at the entrance to the school, and the only official school policy is the "visitor's pass" system. In this system, an outsider visiting the school must report to the main office and secure a visitor's pass from the secretary.

Mr. Capriotti said this system is admittedly ineffective but that he does not want to keep returning alumni out of the building.

Mr. Capriotti has developed some thoughts on this trespassing matter. One of these is that trespassing signs will be posted as soon as possible at the entrance and exit. of the school.

He is also considering a policy that would close the exits of the school from 9:00a.m. to 4:00 pm. Along with this plan, he is contemplating the installation of a policeman for monitoring traffic to and from the school between these hours. This policy is not a reality but only a tentative thought of Mr. Capriotti's.

Mike Spear
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Marple Administrators Formulate Energy Conservation Projects

Administrators continued formulating fuel conservation projects as Marple Newtown School District's original fuel allotment contract expired December 31.

"In the event that the price of fuel goes up,we're just going to have to pay for it," explained Mr. Robert C. Gauntlett, Secretary of the Marple Newtown School Board. "If it isn't available, we're going to have to close school."

According to administrators, every other light should be off in each hallway throughout the day. During the night,lights should be on only in hallways being used.

In addition, only a 6:00 p.m. late bus will leave the Senior High School on Mondays and Fridays. On Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 4:20 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. late buses will leave the school. No morning busing, however, will be curtailed throughout the crisis.

All field trips have been eliminated to help contend with the busing problems. Therefore, Act 372, the state law which called for the provision of trips for parochial students whenever MN students took them, has become latent.

Thermostats will remain lowered to 68 degrees throughout the school as long as it is necessary. This will affect the ventilation in the pool, as both heating systems are controlled by the same energy unit.

"At this point, there is 72 degree water in the swimming pool and 75 degree air surrounding the pool and locker rooms," noted Mr. Gauntlett. "But the thermostat setting all over the place is 68 degrees."

The Protect Your Environment Club has developed a committee to cope with growing energy reductions. The Executive Student Council has united with them in an effort to represent the views of students in whichever functions the committee contemplates. Dr. Sauers said that proposals formulated by the P.Y.E. Club can be suited for district application.

At present, the Pennsylvania State Department of Education and the Pennsylvania School Boards Association are considering a four-day school week between January and March, a month-long school closure for January or February, or a continued abatement of one hour each day in the case of any emergency in the coming months.

Administrators have mentioned that they will serve as board of suggestors throughout this crisis. The MN School Board will,in turn, react favorably or unfavorably to their suggestions. Students can help in developing some of these suggestions and cooperating with whatever decisions are made.

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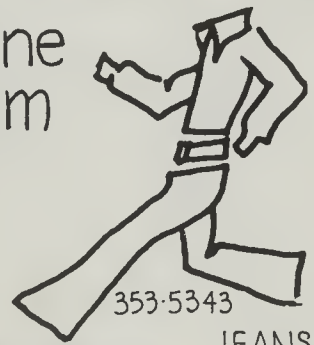

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Rumors Dispelled

With our energy problems making headlines, the public has been bombarded by a constant, massive and seemingly unending stream of information and misinformation. This column will attempt to dispel some of the rumors and disprove some of the myths.

MYTH: The energy crisis was caused by the recent Middle-East War.

FACT: As with many problems, the blame cannot be placed solely upon one party or event. The Middle-East War and the Arab oil boycott served to aggravate an already existing shortage. Much of the responsibility lies with the oil industry. According to Ralph Nader, the oil shortages in the United States were "orchestrated for political and economic benefit" and "they (the oil companies) chose to place the country in a short-term energy scare to gain dividends." There is even evidence that oil and gas is being stockpiled for sale later at a higher price.

Governemnt ineptitude, lack of foresight, and just plain bungling compounded the problem. Finally the American people are responsible,but probably to less an extent than the energy industry would like us to believe. These days, the average American uses more energy in a week than a man living 150 years ago used in a lifetime. Since 1945, our domestic consumption has increased at a rate of 5.4% a year. Today the United States,with only about 6% of the world's population uses from 35% to 49% of the world's energy.

MYTH: If the Alaskan pipeline had been constructed sooner, we could have averted shortages.

FACT: Even if the pipeline were miracuously in operation today, it could only be supplying only 9% of our needs. In addition, a recent article by Robert Entwistle states that the much heralded Artic Reserves probably represent less than three or four

Newtown Supervisors Support PYE Methods

Newtown Township supervisors have adopted a resolution supporting energy conservation methods as recommended by the Protect Your Environment Club (PYE).

The resolution urges township residents to form carpools, using automobiles only when necessary; set thermostats at 68° degrees during the day and 65° at night; eliminate the use of unnecessary electrical appliances and, use necessary ones sparingly; keep lighting to a minimum, especially exterior commercial lighting.

In passing the resolution, the Board told members of PYE that township employees had already been instructed to comply with the measures.

Steve Becker, PYE Club President, criticized the lack of a provision for enforcement. Township Officials stated, however, that although there is no ordinance to set penalties for offenders and publicly ostracize establishments where excessive lighting is observed.

Becker and other club members then commended the Board of supervisors for their swift action.

GY CRISIS

Myths Disproved

years of a fuel supply. Finally, significant portions of the pipeline oil are destined for export.

In other words, the most the pipeline could have done is delayed the problem for a short time.

MYTH: The Government knows exactly how much oil there is in this country and is fully aware of the extent of the problem.

FACT: Nobody but the oil industry really knows; only the oil companies know about existing supplies and deposits. Almost all government figures come from oil industry releases and publications. If the oil industry chooses not to release the information, we don't have it.

MYTH: The recent energy situation has caused massive decreases in the oil industry profits.

FACT: For the first nine months of 1973 the oil companies were out in front, piling up record-breaking profits. One oil company achieved a 92.6% increase in profit.

MYTH: Automobile emission control devices have greatly aggravated the shortage and should be removed.

FACT: Emission control devices have, on the average, increased automobile gasoline consumption by approximately 4-8%. This is not an overwhelming price to pay for cleaner air, especially when we consider the fact that car air conditioners increase consumption by 9% and automatic transmissions by more than 5%. More important, it should be noted that a 50% decrease in auto weight would result in a 100% increase in fuel economy.

Many less important things can be changed before we need sacrifice the quality of our air.

Steve Becker

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Force Blue-Route Review

Environmental Groups

Efforts by the Protect Your Environment Club and other environmental groups to require the filing of an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a section of the Mid-Country Expressway (Blue Route) have apparently been successful.

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDot) has been ordered by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to prepare an environmental impact statement (an evaluation of the environmental effects and consideration of feasible alternatives) on a 13.5 mile section of the proposed 21.5 mile highway. PennDot officials estimate that this will result in a one to two year delay in construction of the Blue Route.

Previously, both PennDot and FHWA believed no EIS was necessary for the Blue Route and other highways approved before the National Environmental Policy ACT (NEPA), the law that requires the statements, went into effect.

The settlement of a recent National Wildlife Federation lawsuit, however, forced the FHWA to reassess the highway projects. The FHWA accepted testimony on each highway section in question and was given the final say as to whether an environmental impact statement is necessary.

Commenting on the victory, PYE Club President Steve Becker said that "we felt the law was clearly on our side and we would have gone to the courts, if necessary, to prove we were right. It was the only reasonable decision available."

Copies of the PYE Club testimony may be obtained by contacting either Sandy Keller or Nancy Kotz.

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Letters

Dear Editor,

As a result of the hysteria produced by the energy crisis, a good many decisions have been made hastily and without forethought to the damage they might do.

Pollution control is one example. The existing regulations have been relaxed and accomplishments in this field have been nullified. Energy has to be provided, but some corporations and companies are using the situation to forego installation of pollution control devices. Because the decision was made hastily, the government has not had time to explore related problems.

On a local level, calm and rational decisions have prevailed. Late buses were not eliminated but were curbed instead. It is hoped that the same prudence will be exercised when the topic of closing schools arises. A four day week seems to be much more advantageous than closing schools for a 2-3 week period.

Obviously, only through calm and rational decision making will the results he anything but short term stopgap measures.

Peter Tallian

Dear Editor,

People's responses to the current energy crisis are destroying the long-awaited achievements of the environmentalists.

Environmentakists foresee an air crisis if something isn't done while the problem is still curable. Energy should be conserved, but not in a way that dangerously pollutes the air.

I wish everyone would do their part to help. Life is much easier with cars and electricity, but people in the past have survived without it. Can man survive without air?

A Concerned Student

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CHARGES

As a result of the accident, Levenberg is being charged with reckless driving. He has been forwarded a $30 citation which he signed himself. Levenberg was not charged with trespassing, of hwich he was guilty, because the school did not complain to the local magistrate.

Officer Kress, of the Newtown Square Police Force, advised against pressing trespassing charges since no trespassing signs were posted, and the school would have a hard time winning the case.

If charged with trespassing, Levenberg could have been fined $500.

RESTITUTION

Along with the reckless driving charge, Levenberg is being forced to pay restitution. He is paying restitution through his father, who is a car salesman. According to Officer Kress, "Levenberg has to pay the damages."

Mrs. Forrest has decided to handle the damage to her car personally since it was under one hundred dollars. Mr. Bernett, whose car suffered $800 damage is handling the problem with his insurance company.

Mrs. Yeager's car suffered approximately $650 damage. She originally planned to buy a new car in June. As a result of the accident, she will be forced to buy a new car now.

LEVENBERG'S BACKGROUND

According to Miss)O-Neil, Levenberg's homeroom teacher, Levenberg attended this school for about one month. He usually kept quiet and dressed neatly, but his mind seemed to be elsewhere.

"I feel very sorry for him," she added. "He's apparently a boy about whom nobody cared."

Levenberg left the Senior High because of excessive absence.

He lives with his father, his mother lives elsewhere.

His father used this fact in negotiations with victims. He also told the teacher that it (the incident) was "only a prank.You know how boys are." David Levenberg is twenty years old.

Mike Spear
Mark S. Guralnick

AN EDITORIAL

An adult, 20 years old, supposedly under the influence of drugs, trespasses on school property, drives in the wrong direction, carries neither an operator's license nor an owner's card, speeds, hits three parked cars, and causes over $2,000 damage. His father calls it a boyish prank.

What should be the punishment for such a reckless and haphazard act? A fine of $1,000? One year probation? Two?

How about a $30 slap on the hand? Seems incredible? Well, it's true. David Levenberg was fined $30 and given a citation for his driving skill.

It would not be so ironic if he had to pay for all the damages, but only Mrs. Yeager is making use of restitution.

Who's at fault in this incident? The school, for not posting trespassing signs? Certainly not. The police, for not administering a test to determine what drug Levenberg was under the influence of? The accident victims, for carelessly leaving their cars in the parking lot? Or Levenberg himself, for his boyish prank?

And what was he doing inside the school in the first place? We doubt that he was visiting some teachers.

What's impossible to believe is that Levenberg is getting away with so little a penalty. It ranks as one of the greatest swindles of all time.

Mike Spear
Mark S. Guralnick

CLOSING POLICY EXPLAINED

In an effort to explain the confusion that accompanied the school closings of January 9 and 10,MN administrators have released a statement to the press.

It is school policy, the press release states,to decide to close school before 6 a.m. the morning of inclement weather, or, if possible, the night before.

On Wednesday, January 9, school emergency closing headquarters was notified at 6:35 a.m. of our closing. Radio stations failed to convey this message for 20 minutes or so. Efforts on the part of the administration to expedite matters were futile.

Before 6 a.m. Thursday morning, MN administrators decided to delay school one hour. Between 6:00 and 7:00, however, road conditions worsened, as the expected rise in temperature failed to materialize, and the local police advised against running buses.

Administration then decided to cancel school.

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but there will be finals in all majors, including semester courses."

The last topic of the conference concerned Mr. Capriotti's speech about love in the hallways. He implied that he only objected to lengthy and profound actions between boyfriends and girlfriends between classes.

This conference was the first in a series of monthly discussions between Mr. Capriotti and concerned students.

Marple Alumnus Recruits for Navy

Mike Francis, a senior high graduate from the class of 1973, has been temporarily posted at Marple Newtown as the United States Navy Recruiter.

Francis interacts with counselors and trys to interest potential Navy recruits. He's fulfilling the post that Tom Loomis held last year.

In order to join the Navy, male students must be 17 years old and of average intelligence. They do not need to finish high school. Young women, however, must be 18 and have a high school diploma.

After passing an entrance examination on basic academic fundamentals, new recruits attend a nine-week boot camp.

Francis says, "We don't pressure anyone into the Navy if they don't want to go. We're very 'picky' about who goes in."

He added that new recruits can pursue any form of Navy work they desire, although 70% are assigned to ships and sea vessels.

Photography, camera repair and photojournalism have been Mike Francis' specialities. He has contributed to bulletins, publications, and training films for the Navy. After his temporary recruiting post ends, he is assigned to handle public affairs and technical data for the Atlantic Fleet.

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MN BASKETBALL TEAM BAFFLING

1-4 IN CENTRAL LEAGUE ACTION...

With an exciting brand of basketball, the fighting Tigers opened their Central League season with a comeback 60-52 conquest of Haverford.

The Fords came out strong, capitalizing on the Tigers' sluggish play and grabbed a 16-8 first quarter advantage. Guard Sam Simms paced the Fords with fine shooting while Steve Giordano led the Tigers' attack.

With MN down 32-23 entering the third period, the Tigers began to produce. With Mike Mosenson and Steve Giordano leading the way, MN tallied 9 unanswered points. The Tigers continued their dominance and opened a 7 point buldge by outscoring the Fords 13-7 in the quarter. The momentum carried over to the final period and the game ended with MN on top by 8. Giordano led the Tigers with 20 points while Mosenson racked up 14 points.

MN's next encounter came at Springfield, but the Tigers found competition a bit tougher and bowed to the Cougars 49-46. MN could not stop a fourth quarter on-slaught by the Cougars and lost the lead they sustained throughout the game in the final minutes.

Forward John Callaghan led the Tigers first half attack with 14 points. Springfield was dealt a severe blow when star center Dave Batton sustained an ankle injury midway through the first quarter. Batton saw only limited action while MN enjoyed a 24-18 halftime lead.

The Tigers came out strong in the third period and mounted a 10 point buldge. A rejuvenated Springfield team, however, led by the return of Batton, pecked away at the Tiger's advantage and took control with 4:40 left. Batton sealed the victory by canning two free throws with 5 seconds left.

MN's next match-up came at Upper Darby where the Royals handed the Tigers a 49-37 lashing. MN's attack proved ineffective and allowed Upper Darby to control the game.

An anemic Tiger offense told the story in the first stanza as they scored only 10 points to the Royals's 14. Despite some improvement later, the Tigers were unable to make any significant gains. Mike Mosenson tallied 14 while Steve Smith had 13 for the Tigers.

Trying to snap a two game losing skid, the Tigers hattled Radnor at home but fell short 60-54. It was a game for the Centers as MN's Mike Mosenson and Radnor's Reggie Rohinson put on impressive offensive shows.

First half action unveiled a near standoff with the Tigers conducting a cautious offensive attack which ended 31-27 in Radnor's favor.

Radnor took a quick advantage in the third quarter with smooth shooting Rohinson leading the way. But the Tigers would not give in and hacked the Raider lead to 1 point. From there it was all down hill for MN. The Tigers were cold and got no offensive rebounds. Radnor increased their advantage to 12 with 90 seconds left, ending any type of comeback hope.

MN then visited Ridley but lost their fourth in a row, 50-48. The Raiders spoiled the Tigers fourth period comehack after leading throughout the game. MN was down by 9 after 3 periods but Mike Mosenson (14 markers) and Steve Giordano (10) helped cut the Ridley lead.

The Green Raiders sealed the victory when Dave Morrison canned 2 foul shots with 40 seconds left. Ridley's Charlie Hagan led all scorers with 17.

... 2nd IN JAYCEE TOURNEY

Marple Newtown Cagers, given a holiday from the Central League basketball wars, found Suburban Three competition against Yeadon comparatively easy.

MN ripped the Eagles, 53-36, to advance to the second round of the Marple Newtown Jaycees Tournament.

The Marple offense against Yeadon was led by Mike Mosenson, who enabled the Tigers to remain close in the first half by netting 17 of his 26 markers.

The Tigers stretched a one point intermission advantage to the 17 point victory as the winner's man to man defense were down the Yeadonites in the final 16 minutes.

Steve Giordano, who bagged 8 points, was the inspirational force for the Tigers in the last period, when they clinched the game and outscored the Eagles 21-8.

MN continued their winning ways by inching by Sun Valley on Wednesday, 49-46.

Both teams opened with cold hands, and numerous turnovers resulted. The Vanguards kept close esrly in the game by containing MN's Mike Mosenson. However, the 6-4 center broke loose and canned 7 first quarter points giving the Tigers a 12-8 advantage.

Sloppy play continued on both sides and 25 turnovers were evident at the half. Leading the way for MN was Mosenson with eleven while Dave Trevisan canned 7 markers. Sun Valley's offensive attack was well balanced, with Ed McHale and Leon Hosier leading the Vanguards with 4 apiece.

As the third quarter began, it was evident that MN was slowly running out of gas. Sun Valley was slowly but surely gsining on the Tigers. Fouls were burning MN, but they still hung onto a 38-32 third quarter lead.

The Tigers decided to sit on the ball as they entered the last stanza. Sun Valley was "clogging the lane," and Marple wss trying to open it up. This strategy failed, however, and the Vangusrds tied the game with just two minutes remaining. After sleeping most of the second half, MN woke up as Steve Gierdano sealed the victory by canning 2 free throws with 34 seconds left.

On Ssturday night, the Tigers tipped off against Bishop Newman in the tournament finale. With momentum from their earlier victory over Archbishop Ryan, the Pirates ripped MN 62-35.

Newman's dominance was evident as they grabbed an early advantage. The Tigers faught back, turning the battle into a game of mistakes.Newman's dominance was evident as they grabbed an early advantage. The Tigers faught back, turning the battle into a game of mistakes. Newman's Lloyd Ranson seemed to have magic fingers, digging it out of Marple's hands---only---to throw it away. Uncontrolled play continued with 46 turnovers at halftime. Witn no high scorers,the half ended with Neumann on top, 28-24.

The Tigers came out of their halftime huddle with hands so cold they couldn't even hold onto the ball. Taking advantage of MN's poor ball control, Neuman quickly ran up a 10 point lead. Pacing the Pirates was Lloyd Ranson with 10 steals in the third quarter, holding the Tigers to only 3 points. After mounting a 48-27- advsntage, Neuman never let up and controlled play in the final stanza.

Lack of ball control was evident with a total of 100 turnovers at the end. Neuman was better able to control the ball and ended up with a 27 point bulge and the tournament trophy.

WAGNER NAMED OUTSTANDING COACH

Icy Tigers In 2nd Place

MARPLE DOMINATES TOURNEY

Is the Tiger mightier than the Lion? Or even two lions? The answer, at least in Ice Hockey, was yes as Marple Newtown's skating Tigers iced the Lions of Penncrest and Cardinal O'Hara in Inter-County Scholastic Hockey League action.

Tigers downed the Penncrest Lions by a score of 2-1. There were no goals in the first two periods but third period action was fast and furious. Penncrest tallied the first goal. At 9:25 Jim Lazzarotti scored for MN to create a 1-1 deadlock. Then, with just 60 seconds left in the game, Chuck Gross netted the tie breaker, to win the game for MN.

Our Tigers totally destroyed their next opponent, the O'Hara Lions 7-2 in an action-packed game. Neil Kovnat was the only goalgetter in the first two periods, with one goal in each stanza. Third period goals included Gross (2), Lazzorotti (1), Burns (1), and Martorana (1). MN took 31 shots on goal to O'Hara's 18.

MN secured second place in the Inter-County Scholastic Hockey League's division, chilling Radnor 6-2. First period action saw MN goals by Kovnat assisted by Burns at 5:02 and Cawley assisted by Borbidge at 9:42. Kovnat, Lazzorotti and Borbidge unassisted, tallied in period 2. Scott Borbidge ended the scoring with a goal in the final period. The Raiders outshot the Tigers 31-28.

On December 4, the MN Skating Tigers roared to a 5-2 victory over St. Joseph at Brookhaven rink. The action started 18 seconds into the first period as Jeff Schmidt scored for the Tigers. Then, with 10:21 left in the first period, Chuck Gross assisted by Burns and McKenna tallied/ St. Joe finally scored to make it 2-1 after period 1.

Second period action saw MN goals by Ray Mateer (assisted by Bob Martarona) and Jim Lazzorotti assisted by Mateer. Then, with 3:01 left in the game, Scott Borbidge scored an unassisted goal to make the final score 5-2. MN was 22 shots on goal to St. Joe's 37.

MN continued its winning ways two days later as they iced out Haverford 4-3. The Tigers scored only once in the first two periods, but third period action was first and furious. Third period goal getters were Kovnat, assisted by Burns and Karsner, Borbidge, assisted by Lazzorotti; and, with 2:36 left to play, Chuck Gross, assisted by Lazzoritti. MN outshot Haverford; the Tigers clawed away for 48 shots to Haverford's 13 shots on goal.

Marple Newtown Wrestling won eight of twelve individual matches in their first league match of the season, enabling them to beat Penncrest 38-18.

Marple started poorly as Penncrest recorded a pin at the 98-pound weight. Marple then racked up 18 straight points in three first period pins. George Leon (105) pinned at 1:13, Mike Schafer (112) pinned at 1:18, and Steve Cornman (119) pinned at 1:58.

That set Marple on fire as Ken Glantz(126) won 6-0, Jimmy Gardner(138) won 13-2, and Don Cornman (155) punished his man for a 13-0 triumph. Jim Christaldi (185) pinned in the second period and Mario Spoto (hwt.) handled a much heavier opponent in winning 2-1.

The Junior Varsity match ended in a 27-27 deadlock with each team forfeiting two individual matches. Winners for Marple were Jeff Weiss(112) 13-5, Mike Selverian(119) 9-4, Jan Dalian(138) 3-0, and Ken Doyle (145) with a pin.

During the winter holidays, Marple returned to the Lower Moreland Holiday Invitational Tournament and completely dominated the eight-team meet, winning with 90½ points. The second place team, Bensalem, finished with 59½ points.

Marple Newtown coach Charles Wagner was named outstanding coach as his team sent 9 of 12 men to the final round. Winners for Marple were George Leon (105) 16-14, Ken Glantz(119) 6-3, Mike Bannon(132) 10-6, and Don Cornman(145) 15-6. Second place winners were Mike Schafer (112), Ken Doyle(155), Andy Carr(167), Jim Christaldi (185), and Mario Spoto (hwt.).

In an earlier meet Marple opened their season with a 32-15 stomping of Sun Valley (non-league). Sun Valley jumped out to an early 9-0 lead, but Marple then won five individual matches in a row and built up a 20-9 advantage that stood up through the remainder of the match.

The string of wins included a 7-5 win by Steve Spear(112), a 4-0 win by Steve Cornman(119), a 10-0 win by Ken Glantz(126), a first period pin by Mike Bannon(132), and a 14-1 thouncing by Jimmy Gardner (138). Other Marple winners were Don Cornman (155) 8-4, Andy Carr (167) 5-4, and a first period pin by Jim Christaldi(185).

The Marple Junior Varsity, coming off a great 10-1-1 season, lost 27-14 to an adequate Sun Valley squad. Marple looked tired and out of shape in their first match of the season.

Eight inexperienced wrestlers contributed to the lethargic show. Marple winners in the match were Mike Schafer(112), 16-0, Marc Melso(119) 5-0, Marty Snyder(126) 10-4, Dave Nodella(145) 8-0, and Kevin Angelus (185) pinned.

Swimmers Pool Resources for 2 Consecutive Wins

Swimming to their second consecutive victory, the Marple Newtown Boys Swim team trounced Salesianum 96-46. The team won all but one event as they scored an impressive victory over last year's Delaware State Swimming champions. The meet began with the medley relay team winning by over half a pool length. MN was in control for the duration of the meet.

In an earlier meet against Cardinal O'Hara, MN was out to avenge last year's defeat. The Tigers opened up a large margin over O'Hara in the first event, the 00 yard medley relay. The lead continued through the diving with the trio of Kurt Hoffman, Bill Wilson, and Rick Hoffman placing first, second, and third in that event respectively. Other swimmers instrumental in the meet were Charlie Kennedy, Scott Bonney, and John Wierek. O'Hara came from behind to tie the Rigers, but Marple held on to win 90-82.